W. B. Moses & Sons.

Dining Chairs.

\$4 Quartered Oak Dining Chairs, extra large shaped box frame seat, carved French legs, banister \$2.45

\$3.25 Quartered Oak Chairs, with banister back, French legs and swelled shaped seat, carved.. \$1.95

\$3 Quartered Oak Chairs, ban-ister back, broad panel top...... \$1.80

\$5.50 Quartered Oak Cane Seat Chairs, banister back, scroll panel, carved top, shaped frame. \$2.95

\$25 China Case in fine quartered oak, highly polished, oak panel back, 4 shelves, double grooved for plates, double thick round glass ends, glass door. \$17.75

Big Library Arm Chair, uphol-stered in extra fine corduroy, spring seat and back, fringed all around. Reduced to............\$5.75

Cozy Chair.

China Case.

Choice Pickings Poorly Priced.

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---Today's list is made up of news important to every woman in Washington. There's something in it nine houses out of ten have need for. Regular prices have been fatally cut in this onslaught. It's just a question of laying out little money and laying in a big bargain. The price values are without precedent.

----We're not offering you undesirable goods, that we want to get rid of-just the contrary. We've made specials of the choicest choosings.

Two Tables.

Table in fine mahogany finish, highly pelished, and inlaid on top and sides; the equal of any table ever offered at \$3.50. Reduced to Fine Square-ton Table, inluid in genuine minogany vencer; 16 in. top; inlaid on the four corners and the sides of the frame; also in center of lower shelf; a table \$1.95 that would cell at \$5. Reduced tr

Window Bench.

Odd Dressers.

Nicely Carved Oak-finish Dress-ers, with bevel-plate mirror. Reg-ular \$14 piece. Reduced to...... \$9.25

Quarter Oak Dresser, with large shaped French bevel plate mirror. A regular \$21 Dresser. Reduced to \$16.40 Rare Rug Prices.

-Rare, indeed, for Rugs of such worth. Six or a dozen bought at these prices will prove a good investment to forestall the future time.

Smyrna Rugs.	Reduced	
Was.	to.	-
16 by 32 in 75c.	50c.	
18 by 36 in \$1.00	69e.	
21 by 42 In \$2.50	90c.	
30 by 60 in \$4.25	\$1.75	
36 by 72 in	\$2.90 \$5.50	
6 by 9 ft\$23,00	\$12.50	
9 by 12 ft\$25 00	\$25.00	
9 by 14 ft\$45.00	\$32.50	
Russian Rugs.		
	Reduced	
Was.	to.	
26 by 54 in \$1.75	\$1.25	
30 by 60 in \$2.00	\$1.50	
36 by 72 in \$3.00	\$2.00	
Moquette Rugs.		
moducite reago.	Reduced	

Royal Axminster Mats. Japanese Rugs. Japanese Mohair Rugs. Yeddo Rugs.

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F St. Corner 11th. | Storage, 22d & M.

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Auction Sale of Everett Art Stock.

Beginning Monday, February 7,

the entire stock of the justly famous Everett Art Store, at 1225 F St., will be offered at public auction. It has been decided to make a change in the business, and with that end in view the present stock of

High-grade Jewelry, Watches and Diamonds. Silver Novelties, Dresden Porcelains, Royal Dux Ware, Bronze and Marble Statuary, Lamps, Clocks, Fine Paintings, etc., etc.

-must be disposed of at once.

To every particular person the name of Everett is inseparably linked with the very highest grade goods-and the opportunity to secure articles from such a stock at "auction prices" is one that no prudent person can resist.

It is only once in a great while that such a chance is presented-and when it comes the great army of shoppers are eager to take advantage of the opportunity. The sale will be short and decisive-and every woman should make it a point to be presen. Articles of the highest standard of quality suitable for gift-giving, wedding presents, for the home-or for the family-are to be had at whatever you choose to bid for them. Can you afford to miss it?

F. WARREN JOHNSON, Auctioneer,

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2 sales daily------ 10 a.m. & 2:30 p.m. at 1225 F st.

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· · · order Dept. is repairing and regilding . . . pleture frames, mirror frames, mantel . . . frames, furniture, decorations, &c. Look . . . better and wear better, as there is better · · · · chance for drying, &c.

Veerhoff's, 1217 F.

Zeh, Down Town.

increasing down-town patrons we have opened our main office at 708 11th st., just above G. Easiest and longest burning and cleanest ccal, over-weight, and lowest prices. Once a customer always a customer. Let us have a trial order. Wm. Zeh, 708 11th.

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ut a few days now before we take rossession of our new building 6 doers above. Until we more any article in the house can be secured at from 10 to 50 per cent under real value. This applies to Framed Pictures, Photographs, Ivory-finished Statuary, Architects' and Engineers' Supplies, etc.

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Great Reduction In Hair.

Switches, \$2.50, formerly \$5.00, Switches, \$6.00, formerly \$10.50, Gray Switches, \$3.50, formerly \$5.00, Gray Switches, \$4.50, formerly \$6.50. Pirst-class attendants in Hairdressing.

Shampooing, etc.

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WOODWARD and LOTHROP,

10th, 11th and F Sts. N. W., -

Until further notice, store will close at 5:30.

Valentines and Valentine Favors-First Floor.

A Better Store

Today than yesterday == better tomorrow than today -- that is what we are persistently and unceasingly striving for. This is a great, modern business enterprise that looks after the smallest detail of everybody's personal and home comforts. A plain statement of facts, with plain prices, plainly marked, and money back if you wish == these are our methods of doing business.

Much of the Spring Merchandise is Ready.

The counters and shelves are laden with rich beauty and newness. Each day unfolds some new form of prettiness. The rich Silks, the peerless French Organdies and Mousselines, the Dimities, the Ginghams and the like-all are ready-bright and attractive in their many novel and unique forms of prettiness. Many are enjoying a "first view" now.

Elegant Costumes for Spring.

We shall exhibit Monday some beautiful advance styles in Ladies' Tailor-made Costumes in fashionable spring materials, suitable for

Promenade, Driving, Church, Calling and Shopping Purposes.

They are the latest conceptions of celebrated artists, strictly high class in character, and comprise the new cloths, shapes and styles-entire costumes lined throughout with rich silks. These garments are for present use and are very smart.

Prices Range from \$18.50 to \$50.00.

The New Cotton Stuffs for Spring.

Monday's showing will be a revelation as to the onward strides in weaving and coloring of these dainty stuffs. The department is a bower of beauty with its wealth of exquisite new cotton fabrics, fresh from the looms of the home manufacturers and the hands of the artistic designers and printers across the water.

The French Organdies and Mousselines seem to have caught myriads of flowers in their web-like formation; the newest Irish Dimities are prettier than ever; the Scotch Ginghams, the Printed Madras and the whole family of high-class cottons show more novelty and beauty than for several seasons past. Many of the modest ones follow closely in the footprints of the more aristocratic sorts-every one of them bright with the latest effects of loom worker and color printer. It is pleasant to choose from these newest, freshest things. Many are doing so. The following is a partial list of the most recent arrivals: 1 Mousseline De Soie.

The Foreign==

French Organdi.

In plain evening tints and exquisite artistic production of a celebrated French in plain evening tints and exquisite artistic production of a celebrated French manufacturer. It is as soft and rich as a China silk and as light and dainty as a French organdic, and is one of those elegant, exclusive fabrics whose popularity is assured. 30 inches wide.

371/2c. a Yard. organdi Rave.

Handsome floral printings on white ground, with wide satin stripes—charming effects. 30 inches 40c. a Yard.

Printed Dimity.

The genuine Irish goods, manufactured in Belfast to our especial order. One hundred exquisite designs in figures and stripes and no two alike. 30 inches wide.

25c. a Yard. Organdi Carreaux.

Plaid effects, exquisite designs and printings-ery sheer and dainty. 30 inches wide.

50c. a Yard.

The Domestic== Toile Du Nord Gingham.

In a host of small checks, blocks and rich Tartan Plaids; beautiful effects, soft, and finer than ever. 27 inches wide. 10c. a Yard.

Bates' Seersucker Gingham. In the hundred and one staple styles and a great many new designs; checks, plaids and stripes. 27 inches wide. 121/2c. a Yard.

French Percales.

Over a hundred distinct styles and printings, and all pretty-stripes, checks, plaids, figures; exquisite colorings. 36 inches wide. 121/2c. a Yard.

Zephyr Gingham. In neat check effects, and a variety of plaids in various sizes—all the new colorings. These are extra fine and smooth. 32 inches wide. 15c. a Yard.

50c. a Yard.

In exquisitely beautiful floral designs; manufactured and printed in Alsace. 30 inches wide.

29c. a Yard.

Made in Scotland, in designs especially for ladies' shirt waists, children's dresses and men's shirts. 32 inches wide.

35c. a Yard.

In small checks and neat stripes and plain colors—many novel and beautiful effects. 20 inches wide.

25c. a Yard.

Organdi Francais

Scotch Madras.

Scotch Gingham.

Silver Star Madras. A new printed fabric, not as heavy as percale or as light as lawn—a medium weight—very hand-some printings. 36 inches wide.

15c. a Yard.

Dirigo Lawns. These Lawns, so popular last year, reappear this season in a vast variety of designs and printings, which closely rival the skillful foreigner. 30 inches wide.

121/2c. a Yard.

The New Dress Trimmings are Ready. Every new and attractive fancy is here as well as the more staple

sorts. Many exclusive novelties are among them, and are the richest things imaginable-and they are most reasonably priced.

Braids are much in evidence. Braids in their simple prettiness and braids twisted into designs more or less elaborate. And Spangled Passamenteries and Spangled Garnitures, and Blouses, and Silk Frogs, and Gimps, and Yokes and Embroidered designs for evening wear; odd effects for tailor-made suits, and Beaded and Applique Trimmings in various novelly pretty effects. Many of the richest things are exclusive and can be seen here only.

The Season of '98 Embroideries

Are here, and just now you can see a very rare and artistic exhibition of all that is worth seeing in Hamburgs. They are in unusually choice designs and qualities, comprising the popular English and Scotch Evelet effects and the Rocaille and Lace effects. Novelties in Jaconets, Swiss, Nainsook and Cambric, including several designs which cannot be duplicated later in the season. Special attention is called to the

Imported Sheer and Beautiful French Chambrays. They come in two widths of edge with all-over embroidery to match, and lare embroidered in guipure designs and edged with Valenciennes lace. Plain cloth to match, 45 mehes wide, in sky, rose, watermelon, etc. There is a delicateness about these that will at thee win your favor.

Some charming designs in Jaconet, Swiss, Nainsook and Cambric Edges, in dainty, lacey effects, are shown in sets of various widths, with insertion and all-overs to match

Beautiful "baby" patterns in small dots and other neat designs, intended especially for infants

All of our Embroideries, including the narrow widths and lower-priced goods, show uncommonly fine work, and are exquisitely designed and executed. There is a choice among them, of course, the bert patterns always appearing first in the season. In connection with our regular suburban deliveries, we make three deliveries weekly at the following places: Hyattsville, Bladensburg, Avalon, Langdon, Winthrop Heights and Ivy City. Wagons will leave the store at 8 o'clock a.m. Mondays, Wednesdays and Fridays.

THE SOCIAL WORLD

(Continued from Seventh Page.)

C. Spliedt, 907 East Capitol street. The following officers were elected: President, Miss Spliedt; vice president, Miss A. Heald, and treasurer, Mr. J. Gordon. After business arrangements were dispensed with games and music were enjoyed and supper served. In the donkey contest the prizes were won by Miss E. Van Horn and Mr. Hutchinson. Among those present were the Misses E. Van Horn, A. Heald, A. Beuchert, C. Kaliph, E. Gorman, C. Spliedt and Messrs. E. Hutchinson, J. Gordon, C. Farrel, C. Page, S. Bliss and K. Morrison. The next meeting wil be held at the home of Miss Heald, 1016 East Capitol street.

Mrs. Hugh Johnston of 380 C street northwest will not be at home again until Mon-day, February 28.

The congressional ladies of the Elsmere

Mrs. Brosius and Miss Brosius, Mrs. Graff and sister, Miss Crane, Miss Broderick and Miss Fannie Broderick and Mrs. McKenney and niece, Miss Miller, will receive Tuesday afternoon from 3 to 6.

time this season, Monday, February 14. Mrs. A. C. Harmer, wife of Representative Harmer of Pennsylvania, will be at home Tuesday next from 3 to 5. Mrs. Reeside will assist her.

lins, Mrs. Gehring's mother, are now established for the winter at Los Angeles, Cal. They will visit Washington in May.
Mrs. A. M. Renshaw of Philadelphia is visiting her sister, Miss Wells of 11th

Mrs. J. Keith Edwards will be at home

for the first time this season next Monday afternoon, and will also receive the three following Mondays in February. Owing to the illness of Mr. Thompson she has not been able to see callers on her usual day Mrs. Evert L. Harvey and Mrs. Charles

M. Forrest will be at home Mondays, February 7 and 14, at 418 3d street northwest. Mr. and Mrs. Robert T. Hill have returned to the city and have reopened their home at 1738 Q street northwest. Mrs. Hill will be at home on Fridays in Febru-

friends at a delightful dance Thursday evening at their residence, 1824 E street The third and last of the series of dances

Mrs. D. J. Apple will receive her friends informally Mondays in February, at 1705 T street, from 6 to 9 o'clock.

Mrs. Walter Lewis Priddy, 121 T street, will be at home Tuesday, February 8, assisted by Miss Small and Mrs. Galloway of Baltimore.

for a visit to Danville, Va., where she will be the guest of Colonel and Mrs. I. H. Saunders of the Danville Military Instidonca entertained Friday evening at dinner

the minister of Chile and Madame Gana, the minister of Venezuela and Miss Au-drade, the minister of Switzerland and Madame Ploda, the Argentine minister, the Belgian minister and Countess Lichter-velde, the Peruvian minister, Miss McKen-na, Miss Gary, Mrs. Mac Bean and the Misses de Mendonca.

not receive Mondays in February. Woodward's family.

Mrs. Aukam will not be at home Tuesdays this season.

A farewell reception was given Tuesday A farewell reception was given Tuesday evening by Mr. and Mrs. Chas. S. Faulkner of 4th street northeast. The guests of honor were Mrs. E. D. Riddle and daughter, Miss Jennie Faulkner of Pittsburg, Pa. The decorations were carnations. Among those present were Mr. and Mrs. F. Stocks, Mr. and Mrs. A. G. Dunn, Mr. and Mrs. C. J. Ortlip, Mr. and Mrs. C. Pafenbach, Misses Louise Donch, Mamie Ortlip, Mae Berckman, Flossie Bilss, Vera Stocks, Clara Donch, Annie Bliss, Katie Berckman, Annie Ortlip, Vera J. Faulkner and Messis. Nixon, Elwell, Scars, Donch, Balderston, Delaplaine, Pickells and Lantel.

One of the prettiest social events of the week was the reception given on Tuesday evening by Mr. and Mrs. Joseph Prather at their residence, 1310 Vermont avenue, to celebrate their golden wedding anniversary. The house was beautifully decorated in palms, yellow roses and jonquils, the same golden color being carried out in the decorations in the dining room. Mr. and Mrs. Prather received their guests, assisted by their children and a number of young ladies. The parlors were crowded all evening with their friends, who expressed congratulations and wishes for many more years of happiness. During the evening Mr. John Marbury, jr., president of the Oldest Inhabitants, presented Mr. Prather with a handsome gold-headed cane on behalf of the association.

Mr. and Mrs. Lincoln of 1810 K street week was the reception given on Tuesday

Mr. and Mrs. Lincoln of 1810 K street gave a reception Tuesday in honor of Mrs. gave a reception Tuesday in honor of Mrs. Finley Morse Van Holsen. Those assisting Mrs. Lincoln were Mrs. Van Holsen, Mrs. J. D. Lincoln, Mrs. A. M. Jorgensen, Mrs. Ernest R. Hunting, Mrs. E. S. Clark, Miss E. B. Wilson, the Misses Spiers and Miss Lillian Gregory. Mrs. Lincoln will receive Tuesday, February 8, from 4 to 7. It will be her last reception for several weeks.

Miss Lottie Yetter entertained the Friendship Dime Social Club at her residence, 721 7th street northeast, last evening. After the club had been called to order by the president, Mrs. N. L. King, and the business on hand disposed of the social features of the evening began. Miss Emma ness on hand disposed of the social reatures of the evening began. Miss Emma Hishop rendered several musical selections. First prizes in a guessing contest were won by Mr. Stephen Brookes of Garrett Park, Md., and Miss Elizabeth Van Vleck. Miss Maud Dodson and Mr. Frederic Hazard carried off the booby prizes. Among those present were Mrs. N. L. King, Mrs. Terflinger, Mrs. Bishop, Misses Mamie, Emma and Nellie Bishop, Maud Dodson, Lottie Yetter, Elizabeth Van Vleck, Carrie V. Riordan, Brookes, Mrs. Yetter, Mrs. Perkins, and Messrs. Perkins, Brice, Blackford, Brady, Phelps, N. L. King, Pittman, Frederic Hazard, Stephen Brookes, James J. Keefer and Yetter. The club will be entertained next by its president, Mrs. N. L. King.

Mr. and Mrs. Charles Sumner Heinline

Mr. and Mrs. Charles Sumner Heinline Mr. and Mrs. Charles Sumner Heinline and Miss Heinline entertained a number of friends Thursday evening, to meet Miss Louise Whitlock of Brooklyn, N. Y. Among those present were Miss Whitlock, Misses Irwin, Miss McCabe, Miss Thorne, Miss Osborn, Miss Rodrick, Miss Johnstone, Miss Carpenter, Miss Schroter, Mr. Ragan, Mr. Askew, Mr. Albertson, Mr. Becker, Mr. Rodrick, Dr. Beatty, Mr. Groff, Mr. Hoover, Mr. Quinter and Mr. Clover Heinline. Miss Whitlock will be at home to her friends Sunday after 3 p.m., at 710 North Carolina avenue southeast.

President and Mrs. Dole were entertained at a tea given in their honor yesterday by ex-Secretary and Mrs. John W. Foster. Mrs. Hatch, wife of the Hawaiian minister, assisted Mrs. Foster and Mrs. Dole in receiving, as did Mrs. Romero and Mrs. Frye. In the dining room Miss May Williams and Mrs. Stanley Brown, Miss Adams of Chicago, Miss Clifford and Miss Thompson assisted. Members of the diplomatic corps, cabinet and judiciary, with other persons of prominence, called during the afternoon.

924, 926, 928 7th, running through to 704-706 K st. Soldenberges 924, 926, 928 7th, running through

The 15c. lace edge Carlsbad fruit plates will be sold for 9C.

The regular 25c. fancy Carls and 16c.

The regular 35c Owari china 21c.

The regular 39c. fancy gold stippled salad bowls will be sald 24c.

The regular 50c. genuine Limoge china after-dinner cups and saucers 24c.

15c. braid, 4c.

Monday we shall offer in the notion de-partment 550 pieces of featherstitch braid, in assorted patterns—which sell at 10c., 12½c. and 15c. aplece—6 yards to each

running through to 704-706 K st. "THE DEPENDABLE STORE." "THE DEPENDABLE STORE "

Special sale of chinaware,

Monday we start a special sale of small lots of the finest French and Carlsbad chinaware—offering it at less than the usual cost in order to make room for other goods in the basement. The values have never been duplicated in this city before-and every housekeeper should appreciate the saving.

> The regular 79c, fancy Vienna sandwich cups and saucers will be sold 49c. The regular 99c. fancy colored 63C.

924, 926, 928 7th

The regular 98c. French china 69c.

35c. side combs, 9c.

Strong specials in white goods.

The fresh arrivals in White Goods-the dainty Organdies and India Linons-will be shown at much less than regular prices Monday. The values are exceptionally good ones-and will pay you to anticipate your spring dress needs.

31-inch white French organdie, which is worth 19c. a yard—will be offered Monday as a special 121/2c.

1,000 yards of white India linon, which would be considered cheap at 10c. 2c. Muslin drawers, 14c.

1,700 yards of fine sheer English India litton, which is regularly sold at 15c a yard—will be sold Monday OI/2C.

Short skirts, 9c.

Specials in linings.

Monday's special offerings in the lining department deserve the careful attention of every buyer—first, because the values are among the best yet offered—and, second, because of the unvarying high standard of the qualities.

Fancy figured black sateen for walst lining—of strictly fast color—and very strong and serviceable—usually sold for 20c. a yard—will 121/2c.

Yard-wide black and gray medium taffeta skirt lining, including all the high shades for spring wear-worth 12½c. a yard-will be offered cor.....

Extra heavy all-linen canvas, in black only-which sells regularly at 15c. a yard-will go fer. 10 c. The genuine nearstik—which looks for all the world like silk and wears better—in all the new suring shades of organdy and grenadine Ining—and also black, white and gray—will be offered 25c. derskirts and skirt lining— 91/2C. 24-inch genuine French herringtone haircloth—in gray only—the regular 39c, sort—will be seld Monday 27 2 C

The best quality dressmakers' cambric will be offered Monday as a 27/8C. Nublan fast-black and colored French percaline, which is worth much more, will be offered, per yard, 71/2C.

45 by 36 Mohawk pillow cases will be offered Monday for only..... 8 2c.

as well made as any-will go 36c.

Specials in domestics.

Big values for buyers in the domestic department Monday-for

our patrons have come to expect it.

Yard-wide Androseoggin muslin will be put on sale Monday at the remarkably low price, per yard.......... 5c.

energy and a service of the contraction of the cont nell, Mrs. Sheridan, the Misses Wetmore and Mr. Victor Eastmann. Mrs. William Winthrop gave a tea yes-

Prof. and Mrs. McGee will give a "tin wedding" reception February 14. The North Carolina Society will meet

At an evening reception given at one of the smartest homes here a guest felt ill and withdrew to the dressing room. Sweep-ing aside the wraps of fur and velvet lying on the bed she threw herself across the foot of it, face down. Having remain-ed there about ten minutes she was roused from half sleep by the sound of some one moving about, and raising her head saw a fashionable woman of her acquaintance standing beside the dressing table. Before she could announce her presence she was startled and horrified by observing the other woman take from the pincushion and trays a number of valuable jeweled pins, the property of the hostess, and sap them into a pocket in her bodice. Afraid to move, she resumed her former attitude among the wraps until the subject of her alarm had withdrawn. After a little reflection the unhappy levelid feeling worse. flection the unhappy invalid, feeling worse than when she sought rest, found her hus-band and to him related the story. He im-

The Undecided Euchre Club held its regular meeting Tuesday evening at the residence of Miss Barbara Sauter, 1102 H street northeast. There was a full attendance and a very enjoyable evening spent. After several hours at cards the ladies first prize was won by Miss Jennie Dell, Miss Ella Browne securing second. The first prize for the gentlemen was won by Mr. Montgomery King, with Mr. Daly carrying off second honors. Those present were Misses Barbara and Theresa Sauter, Miss Collins, Misses Mabel and Jennie Dell, Miss Wissner, Miss Browne, Miss Facer, Messrs. Montgomery King, Joseph Daly, E. A. Beitzell, B. P. Craig, George Moran, William Phillips, T. A. Newman and F. J. Wissner. The Undecided Euchre Club held its reg-

At a mass meeting of Wichita, Kan., citizens an invitation was formulated to President McKinley to visit that city during the trans-Mississippi congress next fall. If he accepts President Diaz of Mexico will be invited to meet him here.

Benson's Porous Plaster

gives prompt relief. Price, 25c. oc16-s,tu,th-19w HARSH PURGATIVE REMEDIES are fast giv-ing way to the gentle action and mild effects of Carter's Little Liver Pills. If you try them they will certainly please you.

ANGOSTURA BITTERS, the world-renowned appetizer and invigorator. Used now over the whole civilized world. Try it, but beware of imitations. Ask for the genuine article, manufactured by Dr. J. G. B. Siegert & Sons.

THE DIFFERENTIALS.

Movement to Rendjust Those Affecting Scaboard Trade. Efforts are being made to secure the attendance, at a meeting which is expected to be held in New York in a few days, of all the presidents or chief executive officers of the principal railroads in the Joint Traf-fic Association for the specific purpose of readjusting eastbound seaboard differena conference of the heads of the oozen system composing the Joint Traffic Association, with the view of endeavoring to effect a general revision of the differentials now enjoyed by the lines terminating at Philadelphia, Baltimore and Newport News. Present indications point to a meeting about the 12th of this month, unless a postponement may be necessary. This is probable, for the reason that there does not appear to be a very enthusiastic desire on the pear to be a very enthusiastic desire on the part of the lines even to formally discuss

most important subjects ever brought to the attention of the lines interested. The same question of differentials at the vari-ous above mentioned points formed the basis of the agitation carried on last spring by the New York produce exchange, and which resulted in an exhaustive and elab-

by the New York produce exchange, and which resulted in an exhaustive and elaborate investigation by the interstate commerce commission. The report of the findings of the latter body has not yet been made public. The claims advanced by the produce exchange were that the differentials enjoyed by the lines terminating at Newport News, Baltimore and Philadelphia caused incalculable injury and loss of trade to the merchants and the port of New York. The Joint Traffic Association was petitioned to revise their rates, but until recently such a step was found to be inadvisable.

The principal power behind the coming conference is the Michigan Central and the Lake Shore and other lines, and the alleged reason is that the differentials enjoyed by the more southerly lines, particularly in the matter of export grain, have operated most prejudicially to their interests. In other words, they have lost too great a volume of business, and it is desirable that a change should occur.

The present differentials are Newport News and Baltimore, 3 cents, and Philadelphia, 2 cents. A number of suggestions have been made looking to the reduction of the differentials from 1 to 2 cents, and the question of reduction will cut a very important figure at the conference.

Commander Joseph G. Eaton of the Enterprise is in the city on special service, and is at 1015 15th street.

Capt. Henry B. Robeson of the Pertsmouth navy yard is here on a leave of absence. He is at the Arlington.

Paymaster E. N. Whitehouse, U. S. Nahas been retired.

Woodward & Lothrop.



Mrs. C. A. Maxwell is spending "junior week" with her son, M. Carson Maxwell, at Cornell University.

Mrs. R. C. Gwynn and her daughter, Mrs. Johnson Hellen, will not receive Monday, February 7, but will receive, for the last

Dr. G. P. Gehring and wife and Mrs. Col-

Tuesday, February 8, at the Ingleside, 1527 I street northwest. Mrs. John W. Thompson will be at home

Miss Kondrup will be at home on Monday, February 7, assisted by her guest, Mrs. Clarence Betts of New York. Mr. and Mrs. S. B. Bacon, jr., entertained

The third and last of the series of dances given by the Tuesday German will be held at Rauscher's next Tuesday evening. The assembly will begin at 9 o'clock and the cotillion at 10. Fifty couples will take part. The chaperons will be Mrs. J. K. Jones, Mrs. J. C. Cooney, Mrs. Claude A. Swanson, Mrs. G. Wythe Cook, Mrs. Philip Darneille and Mrs. W. W. Dixon.

Miss Sailie E. Zimmerman left yesterday

The Brazilian minister and Madame Menthe German ambassador, the French am-bassador, the minister of the Netherlands,

Mrs. Field and Mrs. Condit-Smith will Miss Aukam has gone to New Orleans, to

Mrs. A. G. Gross and the Misses Gross of 1722 17th street northwest will be at home Wednesday, February 16.

President and Mrs. Dole were entertained

afternoon.
Senator and Mrs. McMillan gave a dance last evening for Miss McMillan, their daughter. Decorations were of palms and aneleas. Among those present were Miss Boardmann, Miss Simpkins, Miss Ashton, Mrs. Ward Thoron, Count Vinet, Miss Alger, Count Galvaras, Mr. and Mrs. O'Don-

terday afternoon. Assisting were Mrs. Lindsay, Miss Winthrop of New York, Mrs. White, Miss Perrin, Miss Henriques, Miss Kibbey, Miss Kelton, the Misses Worthington and Miss Lindsay Lomax.

February 18, having postponed its date of the 11th at the request of the managers of the Southern Relief Society ball. A story of the week in society has creat-

ed a most unpleasant sensation.

band and to him related the story. He immediately confided to the hostess what had occurred, and she, being a woman of wit, resolved on a prompt and unembarrassing way to recover her property. Standing hear the doorway to bid her friends good night, the guilty visitor presently came to her. The hostess was admiring and affectionately toying with the lace on the corsage of her guest. "Oh," she said suddenly, making a dive into the satin pocket of the fashionable traitress' bodice, "you are going off with my pins," and she quickly and laughingly extracted her treasures. Turning scarlet, the guilty one stan mared, "Why, to be sure—took them to fasten my "Why, to be sure—took them to fasten my gloves," and hurriedly departed.

Invitation to the President.

"Want" ads. in The Star pay because they